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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

the application of:

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Group Art Unit: 1745

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on January 28, 2004 under "EXPRESS MAIL" mailing label number EL 99443 5312 US.

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment dated January 23, 2004, attached is a revised "Amendments to the Claims" Section which is identical to the "Amendments to the Claims" Section of the Amendment filed December 24, 2003, except that:

- (1) a notation that claims 2-10 have been cancelled is included, such that the listing of claims is now a listing of all of the claims (i.e., claims 1-27) which have been presented in the application; and
- (2) the designation for claims 14, 16 and 19-27 has been changed to "withdrawn."

If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicants' attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call Applicants' attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

January 28, 2004 Date

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